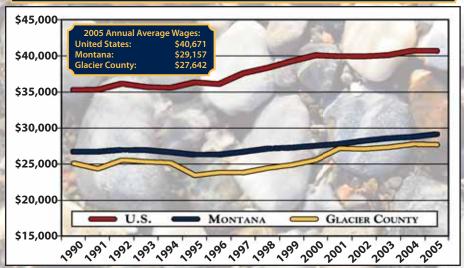
## **Annual Average Labor Force - Glacier County**

Year	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	<b>Unemployment Rate</b>
2005	5,987	5,548	439	7.3%
2004	5,957	5,494	463	7.8%
2003	5,752	5,317	435	7.6%
2002	5,606	5,213	393	7.0%
2001	5,701	5,268	433	7.6%
2000	5,720	5,255	465	8.1%

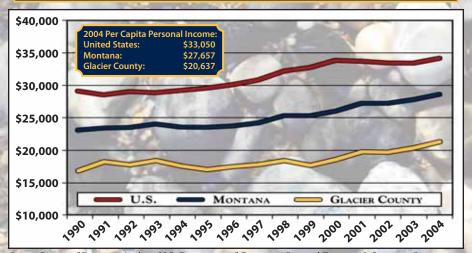
Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Local Area Unemployment Statistics Program (LAUS)

### Annual Average Wages, 1990 to 2005 (In 2005 Dollars)

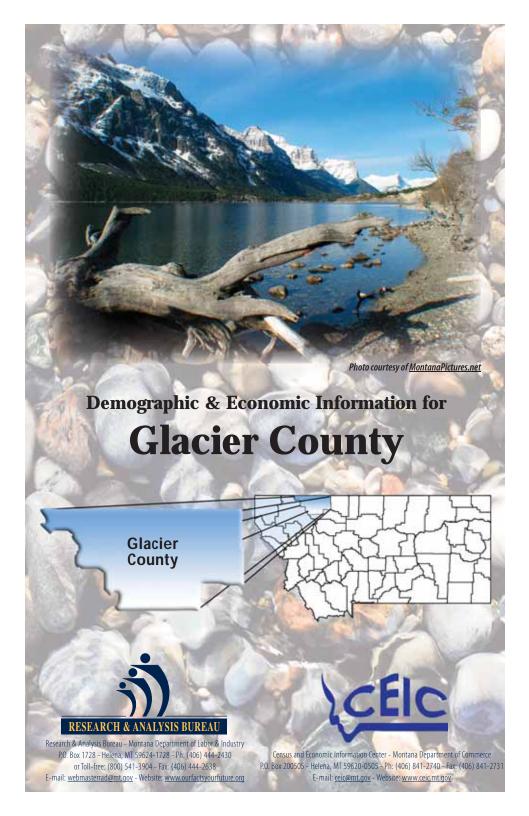


Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program (QCEW)

### Per Capita Personal Income, 1990 to 2004 (In 2005 Dollars)



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce, Regional Economic Information System



## GLACIER COUNTY

Glacier County is Montana's thirteenth most populous county, with an estimated 13,552 residents in 2005. Cut Bank, the county seat, is the state's 25th largest city, with a population estimated at 3,167 in 2005. The majority of Glacier County lies within the Blackfeet Indian Reservation. The city of Browning serves as Blackfeet tribal headquarters, with American Indians accounting for 93.1% of its population. Other cities and towns in Glacier County include Babb, East Glacier Park, Santa Rita, and St. Mary. Glacier County is also home to five active Hutterite colonies.

To the west of the Blackfeet Reservation lies Glacier National Park, one of Montana's major tourism destinations. The western edge of Glacier County makes up almost half of the park, and contains St. Mary Lake, Going-To-The-Sun Road (a national historic landmark), and Mt. Cleveland, Glacier Park's highest peak.

On June 1st, 2006, Glacier County and the cities of Cut Bank and Browning established the Glacier County Regional Port Authority, a quasi-governmental entity whose purpose is to promote economic development in the region. The establishment of a Port Authority can allow access to money that is not otherwise available to specific communities within Glacier County.<sup>2</sup>

Public Administration was the number one industry subsector in Glacier County in 2005, followed by Educational Services, Accommodation & Food Services, and Retail Trade. The fastest growing subsectors of Glacier County's economy in 2005 included Retail Trade; Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services; and Utilities.<sup>3</sup>

#### **Resources for Glacier County**

#### **Chambers of Commerce**

Browning Area Chamber of Commerce P.O. Box 990, 124 Second Ave. N.W. Browning, MT 59417 Ph: (406) 338-4015, Fax: (406) 338-2605 www.browningchamber.com

Cut Bank Area Chamber of Commerce P.O. Box 1243, Cut Bank, MT 59427 (406) 873-4041, cbchambe@northerntel.net www.cutbankchamber.com

East Glacier Park Chamber of Commerce P. O. Box 260, East Glacier Park, MT 59434 (406) 226-4403

#### **Job Service Workforce Center**

Cut Bank Job Service Workforce Center 501 E. Main St., Cut Bank, MT 59427 Ph: (406) 873-2191, Fax: (406) 873-4407 http://jsd.dli.mt.gov/local/cutbank

#### **Economic Development**

Glacier Action & Involvement Now, Inc.
P. O. Box 1329, 4 N. Central Ave.
Cut Bank, Montana 59427, (406) 873-2337
E-mail: gain@northerntel.net
http://www.northerntel.net/~gain

#### Newspapers

Cut Bank Pioneer Press
P. O. Box 847
Cut Bank, MT 59427
Ph: (406) 873-2201, Fax: (406) 873-2443
E-mail: <a href="mailto:cbpress@bresnan.net">cbpress@bresnan.net</a>
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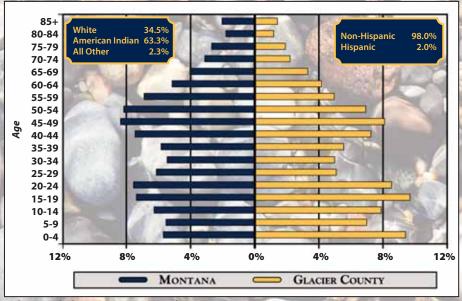
Glacier Reporter
P. O. Box 349, Browning, MT 59417
Ph: (406) 338-2090, Fax: (406) 338-2410
E-mail: glacrptr@3rivers.net
www.glacierreporter.com

### **Population for Glacier County & Related Areas**

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	Total Population						
	Census	Estimates					
Geography	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	
Montana	902,195	906,098	910,395	917,885	926,920	935,670	
Glacier County	13,247	13,129	13,203	13,291	13,527	13,552	
Browning	1,065	1,056	1,061	1,068	1,085	1,078	
Cut Bank	3,105	3,073	3,088	3,106	3,160	3,167	
Balance of Glacier County	9,077	9,000	9,054	9,117	9,282	9,307	

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

# **Distribution of Population by Age**Montana and Glacier County, 2005



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2005 Population Estimates

## Highest Level of Educational Attainment (Population 25 years and older)

Educational Attainment	Glacier County	Montana	U.S.
Less than High School Diploma	21.4%	12.8%	19.6%
High School Diploma (or equivalent)	27.3%	31.3%	28.6%
Some College	26.3%	25.6%	21.0%
Associate Degree	8.6%	5.9%	6.3%
Bachelor's Degree	10.8%	17.2%	15.5%
Master's Degree	4.3%	4.6%	5.9%
Professional Degree	0.8%	1.7%	2.0%
Doctoral Degree	0.6%	0.9%	1.0%

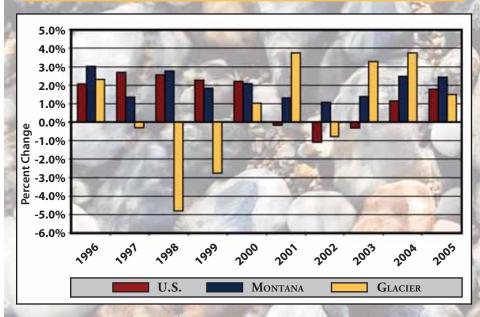
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>"Glacier County Regional Port Authority ready to roll June 1." Glacier Reporter. April 20, 2006.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Montana Department of Labor and Industry, Research and Analysis Bureau, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) Program

## Percent Change in Employment: 1996 to 2005 U.S., Montana, and Glacier County



Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program (QCEW)

# **Top 10 Private Employers in Glacier County** (Based on 2nd Quarter 2006 Data - Listed in Alphabetical Order)

Business Name	Size Class	Business Name	Size Class
Albertson's	5	Northern Rockies Medical Center	5
Cenex Harvest States/Pipeline	4	St. Mary Lodge & Resort	6
Glacier Care Center	4	Sundance Construction	4
Glacier Electric Co-Op	4	Teeples IGA Foodliner	5
Glacier Park, Inc.	8	Town Pump	5

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program (QCEW) This list includes ONLY private industry employers subject to unemployment insurance. Railroads and government agencies are excluded.

## **Agricultural Statistics - Glacier County**

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	Farms	
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q	Farms: (number)	472
	Land in farms (acres)	1,645,201
	Average size of farms (acres)	3,486
	Farms by size: (number)	
	Less than 1,000 acres	217
	1,000 acres or more	255
	Farms by value of products sold and government payments received: (number)	
	Less than \$100,000	374
	\$100,000 or more	98
ä	Farms by type of organization: (number)	
ź	Family, Individual, Partnership	415
	Corporation, Cooperative, Trust	57

#### **Livestock Inventory and Crops Harvested**

Livestock and Poultry Inventory (number)	
Cattle and calves	41,003
Hogs and pigs	20,068
Sheep and lambs	535
Horses and ponies	3,207
Bison	(D)
Chickens (layers and broilers)	37,617
Crops Harvested (acres)	
Corn for grain	0
Corn for silage or greenchop	0
Wheat for grain, All	133,955
Winter wheat for grain	(D)
Durum wheat for grain	(D)
Spring wheat for grain	124,027
Barley for grain	92,224
Oats for grain	562
Sunflower seed, All	0
Soybeans for beans	0
Hay, haylage, grass silage	46,495

#### **Operator Demographics**

	Primary occupation: (number)	
	Farming	324
V.	Other	148
Н	Place of residence: (number)	
ð	On farm operated	369
â	Not on farm operated	103
1	Years on present farm: (number)	
A	Less than 10 years	92
	10 years or more	380
	Age group: (number)	
	Under 55 years	236
	55 years and over	236
	Average age of operators: (number)	55.3
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Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Service, 2002 (D) - Not Disclosable

## **Employment by Industry - Annual Averages 2005 - Glacier County**

Industry Esta	Number of ablishments	Average Annual Employment	Annual Wages Per Job	
TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES	314	4,415	\$27,670	
TOTAL PRIVATE	262	2,113	\$23,029	
AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISHING & HUN	TING 5	24	\$20,412	
Animal production	3	*	÷	
Agriculture & forestry support	2	*	+	
MINING	19	116	\$39,799	
Oil and gas extraction	10	65	\$48,10	
Support activities for mining	9	51	\$29,130	
UTILITIES	7	70	\$55,669	
CONSTRUCTION	20	78	\$36,87	
Construction of buildings	6	*		
Heavy and civil engineering construction	1	*		
Specialty trade contractors	13	37	\$25,65	
MANUFACTURING	3	*		
Beverage and tobacco product mfg	1	*		
Wood product manufacturing	1	*		
Furniture and related product mfg	1	*		
WHOLESALE TRADE	14	88	\$35,37	
Merchant wholesalers, durable goods	7	46	\$33,28	
Merchant wholesalers, nondurable goods	6	*		
Electronic markets & agents and brokers	1	*		
RETAIL TRADE	46	442	\$18,57	
Motor vehicle and parts dealers	7	79	\$25,29	
Furniture and home furnishings stores	3	6	\$18,47	
Electronics and appliance stores	2	*		
Building material & garden supply stores	6	36	\$25,69	
Food and beverage stores	10	168	\$18,15	
Health and personal care stores	1	*		
Gasoline stations	5	76	\$11,51	
Clothing and clothing accessories stores	1	*		
General merchandise stores	6	44	\$14,11	
Miscellaneous store retailers	4	*		
Nonstore retailers	1	*		
TRANSPORTATION AND WAREHOUSING	8	51	\$46,79	
Truck transportation	5	14	\$33,45	
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Industry <sub>E</sub>	Number of stablishments	Average Annual Employment	Annual Wages Per Job
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Pipeline transportation	2		
Couriers and messengers	2	*	
INFORMATION	5	30	\$11,009
Publishing industries, except Internet	3	21	\$10,70
Motion picture, sound recording indust		*	
Telecommunications	1	*	
FINANCE AND INSURANCE	10	61	\$33,16
Credit intermediation & related activity	5	49	\$28,09
Securities, comm. contracts, investmen	ts 1	*	
Insurance carriers & related activities	4	*	
REAL ESTATE AND RENTAL AND LEASIN	G 2	*	
Real estate	1	*	
Rental and leasing services	1	*	
PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL SERVI	CES 18	43	\$27,02
ADMINISTRATIVE AND WASTE SERVICES	5 5	*	
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	3	18	\$18,98
HEALTH CARE AND SOCIAL ASSISTANCE	16	182	\$28,32
Ambulatory health care services	7	43	\$26,74
Hospitals	1	*	
Nursing and residential care facilities	2	*	
Social assistance	6	22	\$9,74
ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT, AND RECREATION	ON 7	24	\$14,11
ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD SERVICE	ES 50	699	\$15,39
Accommodation	19	401	\$20,25
Food services and drinking places	31	298	\$8,85
OTHER SERVICES	24	78	\$16,68
Repair and maintenance	8	35	\$28,18
Personal and laundry services	2	*	
Membership associations & organization		38	\$7,09
Private households	2	*	. , , , , , ,
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	53	2,303	\$31,92
Local Government	22	1,716	\$26,28
State Government	11	67	\$33,57
Federal Government	20	520	\$50,34
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Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program (QCEW)

\* Data Not Disclosable

The QCEW program compiles data reported by all employers covered under Montana unemployment insurance. (Totals may not add due to nondisclosure of confidential industry data or to rounding.)